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Tab A to
IAC-D-6/1 (Revised)
26 April 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman of the IAC

SUBJECT : Progress Report Ad Hoc
IAC Committee (Watch)

1. In accordance with a decision of the IAC on 6 October 1953 (M-124), the Ad Hoc IAC Committee (Watch) was convened on 30 October "to examine the scope, problems, and limitations of the watch process in view of the current and projected world situation and to prepare recommendations for increasing its efficiency." The undersigned, representing CIA, was elected chairman. The other members are:

Mr. Allan Evans, representing the Department of State
Brigadier General John M. Willems, representing the Department of the Army
Captain D. T. Eller (USN), representing the Department of the Navy
Brigadier General Millard Lewis, representing the Department of Air Force
Dr. Charles H. Reichardt, representing the Atomic Energy Commission
Rear Admiral E. T. Layton, representing the Joint Intelligence Group, The Joint Staff
Mr. Meffert W. Kuhrtz, representing the Federal Bureau of Investigation

2. To date, the Committee has examined extensively the watch process and accordingly has prepared a revised Terms of Reference for the Watch Committee, a copy of which is attached.

3. The Committee feels that its directive requires it to examine the watch aspects of extant systems and procedures of alert and channels for transmission of warnings of attack. Additionally, it believes that IAC field agencies should be invited through appropriate channels to participate in a conference to systematize and coordinate the world-wide collection of indications information and intelligence, and such other aspects of the watch problem as may be appropriate.

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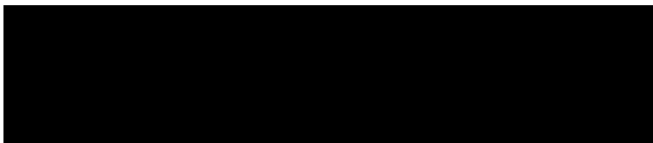
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the IAC approve the attached Terms of Reference.
2. That the implementation of the Terms of Reference and the activation of the Indications Center be effected on 1 July 1954.
3. That the present Ad Hoc IAC Committee (Watch) continue the examination and action set forth in Paragraph 3 above.

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HUNTINGTON D. SHELDON
Chairman,
Ad Hoc IAC Committee (Watch)
23 April 1954

3 Attachments:

1. Terms of Reference, Watch Committee of the IAC
2. Proposed Table of Organization (Provisional), National Indications Center
3. Guide for Preparation of Indications Intelligence Plan

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